

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1           1 (Currently Amended). In an exhaust system of an  
2 automotive vehicle, the combination comprising:

3           a collector pipe having ~~an input end including a~~  
4 ~~plurality of apertures spaced one apart from another, and an~~  
5 ~~output end multiple inputs and a single output;~~

6           a plurality of header pipes individually coupled from  
7 the head of an internal combustion engine to ~~a respective one of~~  
8 ~~said plurality of apertures~~ multiple inputs of said collector  
9 pipe ~~at said input end; and~~

10           an exhaust pipe coupled to said output ~~end~~ of said  
11 collector pipe;

12           with each of said ~~plurality of header pipes~~ and said  
13 exhaust pipe being composed of a plurality of pipe segments,  
14 ~~individual ones of which being of preselected length, and cut at~~  
15 their respective ends at preselected angles, for joining  
16 together in orientation to traverse component parts of ~~said~~  
17 ~~automotive vehicle engine, its the rear housing, steering system~~  
18 ~~and control installations of the automotive vehicle;~~

19           and with at least one of said exhaust pipe and each of  
20 said ~~plurality of header pipes~~ having an outer diameter less  
21 than an inner diameter of a further pipe additionally included  
22 to surround and contain ~~same~~ the pipe segments thereof;

23           and with the surrounded pipe segments having a  
24 plurality of apertures spaced apart from one another along their  
25 respective lengths.

1           2 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 1 wherein

2 said further surrounding included pipe is centered about each of  
3 said surrounded plurality of pipe segments ~~forming said exhaust~~  
4 pipe or ~~said plurality of engine coupled pipes.~~

1 3 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 2 wherein  
2 said exhaust pipe segments are of a substantially 3" outer  
3 diameter and wherein said further surrounding included pipe is  
4 of a substantially 4" inner diameter.

1 4 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 2 wherein  
2 ~~each of said plurality of engine coupled pipes~~ said header pipe  
3 segments are of a substantially 2" outer diameter and wherein  
4 said further surrounding included pipe is of a substantially 2-  
5 1/2" inner diameter.

1 5 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 1 wherein  
2 said further surrounding included pipe is composed of a  
3 plurality of pipe segments, individual ones of which being of  
4 preselected length, and cut at their respective ends at  
5 preselected angles, for joining together in orientation to  
6 surround said individual pipe segments of said contained exhaust  
7 pipe or said header individual pipe segments of each of said  
8 contained plurality of engine coupled pipes.

6. (Canceled).

7. (Canceled).

1           8 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 5, further  
2         including a steel wool wrapping around individual ones of said  
3         contained surrounded pipe segments, about the individual  
4         apertures thereof.

1           9 (Currently Amended). The combination of Claim 5, further  
2         including a steel wool wrapping around each of said contained  
3         surrounded pipe segments, about the individual apertures  
4         thereof.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Canceled).

12. (Canceled).

13. (Canceled).

14. (Canceled).

15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).

17. (Canceled).

18. (Canceled).

19. (Canceled).

1       20. (New). The combination of Claim 5 wherein said further  
2       included pipe is composed of a plurality of pipe segments of  
3       preselected length, cut at their ends at preselected angles, for  
4       joining together in orientation to surround said individual pipe  
5       segments of said exhaust pipe and said header pipes.

1       21. (New). The combination of Claim 5 wherein said  
2       plurality of apertures are spaced apart from one another both  
3       horizontally and vertically along their respective lengths.

1       22. (New). The combination of Claim 20 wherein said  
2       plurality of apertures are spaced apart from one another both  
3       horizontally and vertically along their respective lengths.